

WEATHER REPORT FOR MARCH 1951

Moscow, Sovetskoye Soyuz, 4 Mar 51

On 3 March, the weather continued to moderate throughout the European USSR and in Siberia. In the European USSR, it was coldest in the Middle Volga Region, the central Chernozem zone, Belorussia, and in the eastern and northwestern Ukraine. There, noon temperatures ranged between 10 and 12 degrees below zero. They did not exceed 7-8 degrees below zero in Leningrad, Riga, L'viv, Kishinev, and Rostov on the Don. In the rest of the European USSR north of a line from Moscow to Rnybyshev, noon temperatures were 3-5 degrees below zero. In the Kuban, noon temperature rose to 4 degrees above zero; in the Crimea, it rose to 10 degrees.

In Siberia, noon temperature was 8 degrees below zero around Tobol'sk and Omsk. It ranged between 10 and 12 degrees below zero eastward as far as Chita and also in eastern Kazakhstan. Snow fell in Altay, Novosibirsk Oblast, and Krasnoyarsk Krai. The thermometer recorded 8 degrees below zero in southern Kazakhstan.

In Central Asia, slightly frosty weather continued around Tashkent; snow fell there. Noon temperature was 2 degrees above zero in Ashkhabad, 4 degrees in Stalinabad. Rain fell around Stalinabad.

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Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 5 Mar 52

This morning, moderately cold weather continued in most of the European USSR and heavy snow was falling in Belorussia and the western Ukraine.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were -17 in Chkalov, -16 in Stalingrad, -14 in Veronezh, -11 in Kazan', -10 in Leningrad and Orel, -9 in Minsk and Khar'kov, -7 in Mytyshev, -6 in Stalino, -5 in L'vov, -4 in Malotv and Kiev, -2 in Arkhangel'sk, Kishinov, and Odessa, -1 in Rostov, 2 degrees above zero in Krasnodar, 7 in Yalta, and 8 in Sochi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was -10 degrees; it was -4 degrees at noon today.

The Central Forecasting Institute predicts slight cloudiness increasing to heavy cloudiness by evening, but no precipitation for tomorrow. Temperatures will be 9-11 degrees below zero during the night, 1-3 degrees below zero during the day.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'stvo, 11 Mar 51

On 10 March, overcast weather with light snow was observed throughout the European USSR except in the south and southeast where light rain fell. It became colder in the north: daytime temperatures in Arkhangel'sk, Syktyvkar, and Petrosavodsk were about 13-15 degrees below zero. Temperatures also dropped in southern Belorussia and the western Ukraine.

In the Volga Region, it became much warmer: daytime temperature was 2 degrees below zero in Kuybyshev (8 degrees below zero on 9 March), 1 degree above zero in Saratov, 2 in Stalingrad, and 8 in Rostov on the Don.

Warm weather was observed in the North Caucasus: during the day, the thermometer registered 14 degrees in Krasnodar.

It was moderately cold in Siberia as far as Chita. Daytime temperatures there ranged between 10 and 13 degrees below zero.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, 13 Mar 51

On 12 March, it became colder in most of the European USSR. Daytime temperatures dropped below zero in the south. Temperatures were -2 degrees in Krasnodar and Simferopol', -4 degrees in Rostov on the Don and Kiev, -8 in Riga, Minsk, and Moscow, and -12 in Voronezh and Kursk.

A new snow cover formed in the Crimea (2-5 centimeters deep), Krasnoyarsk Kray, Rostov Oblast, and in southern Stalingrad Oblast. During the night of 12 March, temperatures dropped to 5-7 degrees below zero in these areas. Snow cover is lacking only in Ismail' Oblast and in southern Moldavia and southern Odessa Oblast. During the first 12 hours of 12 March, snow fell in eastern Belorussia, the central regions, the Middle and Lower Volga regions, Krasnoyarsk Kray, and throughout the Urals. In places, up to 4 millimeters fell during this period.

It became much warmer throughout Siberia. Thawing began during the day in Omsk, Krasnoyarsk, and Irkutsk. Snow fell in all northern areas of the agricultural zone of Siberia.

It was warm in Central Asia. Temperatures rose to 21 degrees in Ashkhabad, 16 in Tashkent, and 15 in Stalinabad. Soil temperature at a depth of 10 centimeters rose to 12 degrees around Kara-Kala, Turkmen SSR.

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Moscow, Sovkhoznyaya Gazeta, 13 Mar 51

On 12 March, noon temperatures were -16 in Vologda, -13 in Syktyvkar and Voronezh, -12 in Petrosavodsk, Arkhangel'sk, and Kursk, -11 in Kirov, Sverdlovsk, Velikiye Luki, and Orel, -10 in Leningrad, -9 in Tambov, -8 in Moscow, Riga, and Kazan', -7 in Kuybyshev, Gor'kiy, and Saratov, -4 in Kiev and Rostov on the Don, -3 in Voroshilovgrad, -2 in Dnepropetrovsk and Simferopol', -1 in Krasnodar and L'vov, 1 degree above zero in Ufa, Chkalov, Odessa, Kishinev, and Nal'chik, 3 in Makhachkala, 4 in Stalingrad, 5 in Yerevan, and 9 in Tbilisi.

In Tadzhik, Turkmen, and southern Uzbek SSR's, the soil reached workable condition and field work has begun. Field work has also begun in most areas of Krasnodar Kray, in southern Stavropol' Kray, in the Crimea, and in Izmail' Oblast.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye. 14 Mar 51

On 13 March it began to warm up slightly and rain fell in the extreme western Ukraine. During the day temperatures were 2 degrees in Lvov and 5 in Kishinev. It became considerably warmer also in the southern Ukraine and the North Caucasus. During the day the temperature rose to 7 degrees in Odessa, 9 in Krasnodar, and 11 in Simferopol. The snow cover formed yesterday in the Crimea, North Caucasus, and southern Ukraine disappeared.

Snow fell in the Baltic countries, Belorussia, and northern and eastern Ukraine. Snow fell also in the Urals, while snowstorms were observed in the Middle and Lower Volga regions.

The lowest temperatures were observed in the central regions and in the Urals. The thermometer registered 12-14 degrees below zero in Voronezh and Tambov, 15-18 degrees below zero in Ufa and Sverdlovsk. It continued to be cold in the Lower Volga Region.

Thawing was observed in Siberia as far as Chita. Temperatures rose generally to 1-3 degrees above zero.

It was warm in Central Asia. Considerable rain fell in Turkmenia. It was 19 degrees in Tashkent during the day.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, 15 Mar 51

On 14 March, it was coldest in the northeastern European USSR, the Urals, and Middle Volga Region. During the day, the thermometer registered -12 degrees in Sverdlovsk, -16 in Ufa, -15 in Chkalov, and -10 in Saratov. Very warm weather continued in the western Ukraine, Crimea, and Kuban. During the day, it was 11 degrees in L'viv, 16 in Simferopol', and 13 degrees in Krasnodar. In all of these areas, favorable conditions developed for field work, growth of winter grains, and sowing of grasses. Considerable thawing was observed throughout the Ukraine.

Snow fell in the central chernozem zone, the northwest, and far north.

It became much colder in West Siberia. During the day, the temperature ranged between 14 and 16 degrees below zero in Tobol'sk and Omsk (1-2 degrees below zero the day before). The weather continued warm in East Siberia. During the day, the temperature was 9 degrees above zero in Krasnoyarsk, 6 degrees in Irkutsk.

In southern Kazakhstan and Central Asia, it again became colder and snow fell locally. During the day, the temperature was 2 degrees below zero in Kyzyl-Orda (7 degrees above zero the day before), 5 below zero in Tashkent, 9 below zero in Stalinabad, and 2 above zero in Ashkhabad. The cold is delaying the development of trees there.

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Moscow, Sovkhoznyaya Gazeta, 15 Mar 51

On 13 and 14 March, the weather was slightly cloudy with moderate frosts in most of the European USSR.

On 13 March, it began to warm up in the Baltic countries, Belorussia, northern Ukraine, and western central European USSR. Precipitation in the form of snow and rain fell there. Rain also fell in the western Ukraine.

Maximum temperatures on 13 March in the western regions were +8 degrees above zero.

During the first 12 hours of 14 March, rain fell in the northern European USSR and southern central regions.

On 14 March, noon temperatures were -16 in Ufa, -15 in Chkalov, -12 in Sverdlovsk, -10 in Kazan' and Saratov, -9 in Syktyvkar and Kirov, -7 in Tambov, -5 in Petrosavodsk and Leningrad, -4 in Moscow and Stalingrad, -1 in Voronezh, zero in Velikiye Luki, Minsk, and Orel, 1 degree in Kursk, 2 in Riga, Kiev, Veroshilovgrad, and Postov on the Don, 4 in Dnepropetrovsk, 7 in Nal'chik, 8 in Odessa and Yerevan, 9 in Kishinev, 11 in Lvov, 13 in Krasnodar, and 10 in Simferopol'.

Strong winds, snow, and snowstorms were observed in West Siberia. It became colder in the Urals and in Omsk Oblast. Warm weather prevailed in Novosibirsk, Tamsk, and Kemerovo oblasts and Altay Kray.

During the day on 14 March, temperatures were -16 in Tobol'sk, -14 in Omsk, -4 in Novosibirsk, 5 degrees above zero in Abakan, 6 in Irkutsk, and 9 in Krasnoyarsk.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, 16 Mar 51

On 15 March, it became warmer and rain fell in the European USSR from the Baltic countries and western Ukraine to Vladimir, Ryazan, Voronezh, and Stalingrad oblasts. Heavy rains fell in many places of the Ukraine. During the day, temperatures were 2 degrees above zero in Riga, Minsk, Moscow, Orel, and Voronezh and 1 degree in Gor'kiy and Tambov.

Warm dry weather continued in the southern Ukraine and North Caucasus.

Almost entirely free of snow are the fields in western Belorussia, the Ukraine west of the Dnepr River, and the Ukraine east of the Dnepr up to the latitude of Voroshilovgrad. In all these areas, the temperature remains above zero even at night.

Frosts continue only in the north, northeast, and the regions east of the Volga. Light snow fell almost everywhere there. During the day, temperatures were -9 in Sverdlovsk, -13 in Ufa, -6 in Kuybyshev, and -9 in Saratov.

In West Siberia, there were frosts without precipitation.

It was cold in Central Asia. Heavy snow fell in Tadzhikistan, Uzbekistan, and Kirgizia.

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Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 19 Mar 51

The temperature at 0900 today was 8 degrees below zero; it was 6 degrees below zero at noon.

The Central Forecasting Institute predicts overcast skies, snow, and occasional snowstorms for tomorrow. Temperatures will be 7-9 degrees below zero during the night, 2-4 degrees below zero during the day.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zemledeliye, 20 Mar 51

On 18 and 19 March, the cold weather spread eastward. In the western European USSR, it became warmer.

The temperature rose 11 degrees in two days in Minsk to 5 degrees above zero. Daytime temperatures were 10 degrees in L'vov, 14 in Kishinev, and 16 in Simferopol'.

In Kirov, Sverdlovsk, and Kazan', temperatures dropped from zero to 10 degrees below zero and in Chkalov to 18 degrees below zero during the last two days.

Rain is falling in Gomel', Zhitomir, Kiev, Chernigov, Orel, Kursk, and Tambov oblasts and snow in the Mordov ASSR and Penza and Kuybyshev oblasts. In the southern Ukraine and North Caucasus, dry weather favorable for soil conditioning and field work prevails.

West Siberia continues to warm up. The daytime temperature ranged around zero in Novosibirsk and Barnaul.

In Central Asia, the thermometer registered 10-15 degrees almost everywhere.

Moscow, Sovkhoznyaya Gazeta, 20 Mar 51

On 19 March, the cold weather spread to the Middle and Lower Volga regions from the central European USSR. Very warm weather with 14-16 degree daytime temperatures continued in the western Ukraine, Crimea, and Caucasus.

On 19 March, noon temperatures were -18 in Chkalov, -13 in Arkhangel'sk, -12 in Ufa, -11 in Kirov, -10 in Volagda, -8 in Kasan' and Kuybyshev, -6 in Moscow, -5 in Ger'kiy, -4 in Leningrad and Riga, 1 degree above zero in Orel and Tambov, 2 in Voronezh, Kursk, and Stalingrad, 4 in Minak, 5 in Kiev, 6 in Voroshilovgrad, 7 in Rostov on the Don, 9 in Odessa and Dnepropetrovsk, 14 in Kishinev and Yerevan, and 16 in Simferopol' and Krasnodar.

The southern snow limit has moved northward to a line running through Chernigov, Khar'kov, Kamennaya Steppe, and Kamyshin.

Dry and comparatively warm weather prevails in West Siberia.

On 19 March, daytime temperatures were zero in Novosibirsk, -2 in Barnaul and Krasnoyarsk, -7 in Tobol'sk, and -8 in Omsk. In East Siberia, temperatures dropped to 25-30 degrees below zero during the night, 5-7 degrees below zero during the day.

Rain fell in the mountainous areas of Central Asia. Maximum temperatures reached 15-20 degrees in Turkmenia, 10-12 degrees in the other areas. Conditions are fully favorable for field work in the Central Asian republics.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zamblebelye, 23 Mar 51

On 22 March, it became colder in the central, western, and southern regions. Noon temperatures were -4 degrees in Riga and Minsk, -2 in Moscow, Orel, and Kiev, and -1 in Dnepropetrovsk and Simferopol'. The day before, temperatures had risen to 8 degrees in Dnepropetrovsk and 15 in Simferopol'. Snow fell during the day in Belorussia, Maldevia, and the Crimea. The cold temporarily retards the growth of winter crops and grass.

It was warm in the Lower Volga Region, eastern Ukraine, and North Caucasus. The temperature was 10 degrees in Stalingrad, Voroshilovgrad, Rostov on the Don, and Krasnodar.

The temperature dropped in Tyumen' and Omsk oblasts, West Siberia: to 11 degrees below zero in Tobol'sk and Omsk, to zero in Novosibirsk and Barnaul, where snow is falling.

Warm and dry, 15-20 degree weather favorable for field work prevails in Central Asia.

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Moscow, Vechernyaya Moskva, 26 Mar 51

Warm cloudy weather continued this evening in the central European USSR, the Baltic countries, Belorussia, and in the Ukraine. Rain fell in the north central regions. Snow fell in Leningrad, Pskov, and Vologda oblasts.

Temperatures at 0900 this morning were -9 degrees in Petrozavodsk, -6 in Arkhangelsk, -1 in Riga, zero in Kazan', 1 degree in Leningrad, Minsk, Kirov, and Pyatigorsk, 2 in L'vov, 3 in Gor'kiy and Orel, 4 in Voronezh, Kiev, and Odessa, 5 in Stalino and Rostov, 6 in Tambov and Stalingrad, 7 in Poltava, 11 in Yalta, and 13 in Sochi.

Last night's lowest temperature in Moscow was 1 degree; it was 3 degrees at noon today.

The Central Forecasting Institute predicts overcast skies, light precipitation, local fog, and light wind for tomorrow. Temperatures will be 1-3 degrees during the night and day.

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Moscow, Sotsialisticheskoye Zemel'deliye, 28 Mar 51

On 27 March, very warm and mostly dry weather prevailed throughout the European USSR except in the west. Even in the far northeast, in Syktyvkar, the noon temperature reached 3 degrees above zero, while it was 5 in Kirov, 8 in Gor'kiy, Moscow, and Tambov, 12 in Dnepropetrovsk, Stalingrad and Rostov on the Don, and 20 in Yerevan.

The sky is overcast in the Baltic countries, Belorussia, and the western Ukraine rain is falling in many areas, and snow in L'vov. The daytime temperature was about 2 degrees above zero in Riga, Minsk, and Kiev.

In southern Kursk and Voronezh oblasts, winter crops are growing and the soil is drying. In all northern areas, snow is still lying on the ground but is melting; it is possible that grass can be sown in a few days in the entire central zone from Belorussia to the Volga.

It was also warm in West Siberia. Temperatures rose above zero during the day, although they fell to 5-10 degrees below zero at night. The snow cover is melting.

Daytime temperatures reached 15-20 degrees in Central Asia, about 10 degrees in southern Kazakhstan. Sowing of spring crops is proceeding in the southern areas. Sprouting and growing conditions are good.

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